

WHATELY HISTORICAL  
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WHATELY, MASS. 01093

ANNUAL REPORT

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# Whately Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

FRANKLIN, ss.

To William H. Atkins, Constable of the Town of Whately;

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Whately, on Monday, the first day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2.—To choose all necessary town officers—Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, one School Committee for three years, one Assessor for three years, Auditor, Cemetery Commissioner Library Trustee, Elector under the Will of Oliver Smith, all to be voted on one ballot. The ballot for the ladies will contain the name of School Committee only.

Article 3.—To vote "Yes" or "No" upon the question: Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

Article 4.—To receive and act upon the reports of all officers, Committees, Commissioners, Trustees, of the town.

Article 5.—To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the coming year and appropriate the same.

Article 6.—To act upon the list of Jurors as prepared by the registrars.

Article 7.—To see what the town will do with the money received from the County, called the Dog Fund.

Article 8.—To see if the Town will make an appropriation for the Public Library.

Article 9.—To see if the Town will employ a Superintendent of Schools, and raise money for his salary.

Article 10.—To see if the Town will raise five per cent or any fixed per cent on amount of Town Grant, State and County Taxes, the same to be allowed to those who pay their taxes on or before Sept. 1, 1909.

Article 11.—To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money for Town purposes, giving the Town's note therefor.

Article 12.—To see if the Town will raise money for Cemetery purposes.

Article 13.—To see if the Town will vote to compensate the Town Clerk for services rendered the Town.

Article 14.—To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No" on Chap. 209 Acts of 1908, entitled "An Act to provide for the Protection of Forest or Sprout Lands from fire."

Article 15.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Five Thousand dollars for a two-room school building to be centrally located in the eastern part of the Town.

Article 16.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Ten Thousand dollars for a three-room school building to be located in the central part of the Town.

Article 17.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Five Hundred dollars for moving one of the school houses in West Whately to a central location in that part of the Town or take any other action with regard to the better accommodation of our schools.

And you are hereby directed to post attested copies of this Warrant at each of the Post Offices in said Town, said posting to be at least seven days before the time of holding said meeting,

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Twelfth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nine.

R. MOSHER SWIFT,    { Selectmen of  
FAY B. BARDWELL,    { Whately

## Town Clerk's Report.

The vital statistics for the Town of Whately for the year 1908

### BIRTHS REGISTERED

January 22. Stephen Duda to Michael and Nellie Duda.

January 27. John Stewart Crafts to Clifford and Julia Crafts.

February 20. Ralph Lewis Swift to R. Mosher and Esther Swift.

February 21. Lillian Effie Morton to Arson and Bessie Morton.

March 16. — Houden to Adam and Mary Houden.

March 26. Thelma Myrtle Graves to Albert and Grace Graves.

March 29. — Gutowski to Constantine and Agnes Gutowski.

March 31. Katie Smytis to Simeon and Katie Smytis.

June 3. Leroy Edwin Lawrence to Leroy and Ella Lawrence.

July 25. John Dreizola to Alec and Josie Dreizola.

August 15. Mary Josephine Koncol to William and Mary Koncal.

September 7. Segismond Flipkoski to Alvin and Lena Flipkoski.

September 9. — Farok to Mike and Kate Farok.

September 10. — Damon to Herbert and Mary Damon.

October 2. Alec Meskoski to John and Annie Meskoski.

October 19. Stanislaw Farnick to Stanislaw and Agnes Farnick.

October 23. Frank Kacokoski to Alec and Lena Kacokoski.

October 25. Merit Penniman White to Henry and Jessie White.

October 31. Richard Franklin Manwell to John and Stella Manwell.

November 6. Hazel Francis Dickinson to G. Raymond and Anna Dickinson.

November 27. Roger Donald Kennedy to John and Christina Kennedy.

December 11. Kenneth Everett Field to Charles and Cora Field.

December 15. Andrew Noska to Joseph and Lena Noska.

Comparison table of births for the last five years:

1904	1905	1906	1907	1908
30	22	20	26	23

#### MARRIAGES REGISTERED.

March 2. Michael Flynn of Whately, 24; Marjorie E. Coffey of Deerfield, 20.

May 15. Frank Thomas of Whately, 36; Anna Mitzka of Northampton, 30.

September 23. Michael J. Connelly of Whately, 28; Margaret A. Howard of North Amherst, 24.

October 10. Charles W. White of Whately, 38; Mabel Williams of Deerfield, 22.

October 20. Samuel A. Delano of Whately, 21; Mary E. Decker of Deerfield, 20.

October 21. Howard E. Belden of Hatfield; Anna E. Belden of Whately, 26.

November 28. Henry S. Higgins of Whately, 43; Jessie D. Hubbard of Essex, Conn., 42.

December 16. Henry J. Guyotte of Whately, 31; Nellie E. Coville of Whately, 33.

## Comparison table of marriages for the last five years:

1904	1905	1906	1907	1908
10	5	9	8	8

## DEATHS REGISTERED

Date.	Name.	Yrs.	mos.	day
Jan. 24.	Hanora Whalen,	63		
Jan. 29.	Cathrina Sukowicka,	34		
Feb. 10.	Charles W. Phelps,	66	6	7
Mar. 8.	Alpheus F. Sears,	68		
Mar. 12.	Elihu Belden,	56		
Mar. 29.	Edward J. Heafey,		7	28
Apr. 2.	Mary E. Phelps,	69		
May 18.	Edgar P. Williams,	32	5	9
May 20.	Jacob Podlesney,	45		
July 8.	Frank D. Belden,	60		
Aug. 14.	Julia Duda,			3
Sept. 14.	Martin C. Jewett,	78		
Oct. 7.	Amaret A. Chadler,	83		
Dec. 16.	Sarah M. Miner,	17	6	7
Dec. 28.	Ballina Orbowska,	37		

## Comparison table of deaths for the past five years:

1904	1905	1906	1907	1908
18	17	16	27	15

If any mistakes have been made in above record, either in name or date, if those interested will inform the Clerk of the fact, the records will be corrected.

## DOGS

The number of dogs licensed during the year ending December 31, 1908, with the receipts and settlement of the account with the County Treasurer, is as follows:

43 male dogs at \$2.00,	\$86 00
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13 Spayed female dogs at \$2.00,	26 00
6 female dogs at \$5.00,	30 00
Total tax,	\$142 00
Less fees 62 dogs at 20 cents,	12 40
Paid E. A. Newcomb, County Treasurer,	\$129 60

Comparison table for the last five years:

1904	1905	1906	1907	1908
\$114.60	\$134.40	\$122.40	\$138.00	\$129.60

### HISTORIES OF WHATELY

I herewith submit the tenth annual report as agent of the Town for the sale of the Histories of Whately,

Number of books on hand as per last report,	416
Number of books sold,	5
Balance of books on hand,	411

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Received from sale of books,	23 00
Cash on hand,	23 00

HERBERT E. ROOTE, Ass't Clerk.

## Collector's Report.

W. H. ADKINS in Acc't with the Town of Whately,  
for the 1907 Tax.

To Uncollected taxes,	\$981 13
Omitted assessment,	2 00
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	\$983 13

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By Amount paid Treasurer,	\$970 28
Abatement,	2 00
Uncollected Taxes,	10 85
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	\$983 13

W. H. ADKINS in Acc't with the Town of Whately,  
for the 1908 Tax.

Dr.

To State tax,	\$770 00
County Tax,	913 27
Highway special tax,	106 20
Town tax,	4,509 97
Overlaying,	141 55
Street Ry. Excise tax,	149 02
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	\$6,590 01

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By	Amount paid Treasurer,	\$5,846 46
Discount,		162 58
Abatements,		6 00
Uncollected taxes,		574 97
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		\$6,590 01

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#### LIST OF JURORS

PREPARED BY THE REGISTRARS

Arson E. Morton, Jr.,	Warren P. Crafts,
John B. Flavin,	Herbert E. Roote,
William H. Atkins,	Michael E. Manning,
Lyman A. Crafts,	Lyman S. Munson,
R. Mosher Swift,	Joseph Billings,
Fay B. Bardwell,	Thomas J. Heafey

## Treasurer's Report.

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C. L. CRAFTS, Treasurer, in Acc't with Town of Whately.

### RECEIPTS

1908-9.

To	Cash from C. L. Crafts, ex-treas.,	\$2,641 25
	Conway Savings Bank,	1,000 00
	Warren P. Crafts,	500 00
	Wm. H. Adkins, 1907 tax,	972 28
	Wm. H. Adkins, 1908 tax.	6,015 04
Arthur B. Chapin, State Treas.:		
	Corporation tax,	13 95
	Street Railway tax,	190 73
	Cattle Bureau,	17 50
	Tuition of children,	148 00
	Comp. Ins of Animals,	20 50
	Corporation tax,	35 20
	National Bank tax,	501 54
	State Aid,	222 00
	High School Tuition,	345 00
	School Fund,	1,075 04
	Geo. A. Elder, books,	9 00
	Wm. S. Allen, court fines,	95 66
	Edw. A. Rice, supt. salary,	144 87
	Simeon Levesque, license,	250 00
	Eugene A. Newcomb, dog fund,	51 40
	L. F. Crafts, cemetery lots,	10 00
	E. W. Wood, hall rent,	7 50
	Arlene Roote, library fines,	3 70

C. L. Crafts, Treas., value of wood cut on Town lots and furnished the schools,	16 00
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	\$14,285 66

C. L. Crafts, Treas., in Acc't with Town of Whately.

ORDERS PAID

1908-9

Outstanding orders,	\$928 61
Poor,	341 52
Contingent,	560 45
Bridges,	102 88
State Aid,	220 00
Old bills,	15 32
Town Hall repairs,	351 06
Sidewalks,	355 51
Interest,	22 92
Discount,	162 58
Culverts.	62 05
Library,	136 80
Cemeteries,	92 87
Town officers,	412 50
Election officers,	5 00
County tax,	913 27
Liquor license,	62 50
Schools,	3,254 70
State tax,	770 00
Repairs of state highways,	106 20
Highways,	2,142 83
Temporary loan,	500 00
Abatements,	8 00
Tax collector,	100 00
Balance,	2,658 09
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\$14,285 66

February 12, 1909.

We have this day settled with said C. L. Crafts, Treasurer of Town of Whately, and find in his hands and due the said Town of Whately, the sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-eight and  $\frac{99}{100}$  Dollars.

R. MOSHER SWIFT,    { Selectmen of  
FAY B. BARDWELL,    { Whately, Mass.

LYMAN A. CRAFTS, Auditor.

## Selectmen's Report.

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The Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor having attended to their duties as defined by the Statutes, and in accordance with the instructions of the Town, respectfully submit the following report of expenditures in the several departments of your Town affairs, which have been duly examined by your Auditor.

On January 17, we were shocked by the sudden departure from this life of our esteemed Chairman, Mr. Seth B. Crafts, whose valuable services and wise council have been appreciated and loyally supported by the voters and inhabitants of this Town for many years.

We feel that the cheerfulness and public spirit of Mr. Crafts should be taken as an example by the younger voters of this Town, that they may be prepared to uphold and maintain our dignity as a Town, and receive the honorable mention in future history which we feel is due Mr. Crafts. Our experience, gained through association with him and his fair and conscientious dealing in relation to all matters has been pleasant and agreeable, and in expressing the general sentiment of our fellow citizens we are pleased to add "Well done good and faithful servant."

### HIGHWAYS

After careful consideration we deemed it wise to change the course of the brook at the foot of Spruce Hill, doing away with two culverts which were in bad shape and expensive to repair. This work was accomplished at considerable cost, but we believe it will be a good investment for the Town in the

end. The roads were badly damaged in the west part of the Town by a violent shower in August, necessitating another heavy outlay for their repair.

### POOR

The expenditures in the Pauper Department for the past year have been \$341.52 a trifle more than last year, caused by aid rendered Joseph Podlersky, which is to be reimbursed by the State.

### OLD BILLS

Cooley B. Dickinson,	\$4 00
J. E. Waite,	1 05
F. D. Bardwell,	5 20
Frank O. Scott,	1 85
W. H. Adkins,	2 05
C. L. Crafts,	1 17
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	\$15 32

### CONTINGENT

C. L. Crafts, treas. bond,	\$10 00
L. F. Crafts, ringing bell for 1907	10 00
J. B. Bridges, fees in case of Chas. Dulinenieg, Pete Orboucki, Tony Petuiski, Frank Wis- oki, Harold Abercrombie, Stephen Boland, Robert Dickinson,	42 62
W. M. Beers, sawing and putting in wood Town hall	1 35
Geo. L. Beals, insurance on Town hall, 5 years	112 50
C. O. Bagnal, printing for Assessors,	4 95
Seth B. Crafts, express—cement,	2 15
F. A. Crafts, freight on Akron pipe,	2 40
Howes & Roote, spikes, oil chimneys, stationery,	14 92
Frank T. Woodward, collector's bond,	10 00
Lawler Bros., repairs on Quinn Bros., wagon,	23 50

J. B. Bridges, feet in cases of Harold Aber-	
crombie, William Wright, Ruben Brothers,	\$ 21 51
Warner Furniture Co., chairs for Selectmen's room,	12 00
M. W. Mosely, scraper edge,	8 50
C. A. White, M. D., reporting births,	4 50
Gazette Printing Co., printing reports order books; etc.	45 00
Irving Allis, inspection of cattle,	44 00
Seth B. Crafts, time and expense to Boston before R.	
R. Commissioners.	\$9 00
W. H. Adkins, justice fees, stationery, express, pos-	
tage, coll. book for 1908,	3 55
F. L. Graves, repair on road machine,	4 40
R. Mosher Swift, cash paid for cutting wood,	10 00
Lyman A. Crafts, support of water tank,	10 00
Henry B. Bardwell,	10 00
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Irving Allis,	10 00
Geo- B. McClellan,	5 00
Warren P. Crafts,	5 00
Geo. E. Sanderson,	3 00
Irving Allis, inspection of cattle,	2 00
Frank O. Scott, wood for Town hall	6 50
R. Mosher Swift, cash paid for cutting wood,	10 75
L. F. Crafts, reporting deaths,	75
C. A. White, M. D., reporting deaths—examining	
schools,	8 75
S. A. Wood, inspection of meat,	23 00
Herbert E. Roote, with transcript of votes to Buckland	5 00
Edward Wood, janitor,	10 00
Edward Wood, ringing bell, 1908,	10 00
A. J. Bonneville, M. D., fumigation at Tom Nutykontg	3 00
L. F. Graves, services as Elector	10 00
Herbert E. Roote, recording births, deaths, marriages,	
postage,	16 43

Chas. A. Byme, M. D.	recording births	\$ 75
Chas. Moline, M. D.,	" "	1 00
Chas. Clough, M. D.,	" "	1 00
A. J. Bonneville, M. D.	" "	50
J. M. Fay, M. D.,	" "	25
Howes & Roote, supplies for Town hall and library,		23 60
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		\$574 20

## BRIDGES AND CULVERTS

Chas. A. Coville, sawing plank,		\$15 77
Fred W. Bardwell, drawing logs,		3 60
Waite & Stripp,	" "	6 80
V. D. Bardwell,	" "	12 00
Patrick Dalton	" "	8 80
Fay B. Bardwell, cutting and drawing logs		5 60
Bardwell Bros.,	" " " "	6 00
Seth B. Crafts, cutting and drawing out logs, railings		29 75
W. H. Riley & Co., akron pipe,		40 00
F. O. Scott, bridge work,		1 40
Thomas Flemming, bridge work,		17 75
Geo. Moore,		1 50
John C. Hayes,		1 40
Fred D. Bardwell,		88
H. W. Bardwell,		88
Bardwell Bros.,		2 00
Fay B. Bardwell,		2 00
W. M. Beers,		8 80
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		\$164 93

## HIGHWAYS .

Seth B: Crafts,	work on highway,	\$27 40
Frank O. Scott,	" "	18 00
Edgar Williams,	" "	1 40
Morris Powers,	" "	9 10
Walter Beers,	" "	1 50

Patrick Connelly,	work on highway,	\$ 6 95
Cooley B. Dickinson,	" "	4 00
John Duda,	" "	2 63
Martin Twomey,	" "	1 25
George Stina,	" "	1 40
Joseph Phelix	" "	5 10
Chas. J. Smith,	" "	18 00
John Brunkard,	" "	22 16
Howard C. Field	" "	3 50
Lucien Moody	" "	1 75
R. Mosher Swift,	" "	25 40
George W. Moore,	" "	8 00
Seth B. Crafts,	" "	54 25
Patrick Dalton,	" "	7 00
Herbert Munson	" "	16 00
Fred W. Bardwell,	" "	8 00
Fay B. Bardwell,	" "	14 45
J. E. Waite,	" "	1 25
Bardwell Bros.,	" "	7 00
Chas. H. Field,	" "	3 50
F. O. Scott,	" "	25 37
Seth B. Crafts,	" "	26 60
John Smith,	" "	15 25
Joseph Phelix	" "	12 40
John C. Hayes,	" "	12 00
Israel Smith,	" "	6 00
Henry Higgins,	gravel	17 00
Wells T. Smith,	"	40
Martin Tuomey,	"	2 80
Chas. H. Pease,	highway work,	10 00
Chas. J. Smith,	"	19 00
John Brunkard	"	23 57
John Duda,	"	5 25
Morris Powers,	"	22 50
R. Mosher Swift,	"	11 00
Daniel Hayes,	"	4 38
Michael Duda,	"	11 20
O. E. Morton,	"	3 61

Waite & Stripp,	highway work	\$ 1 75
Geo. W. Moore,	"	18 00
John Moore	"	18 00
Patrick Dalton,	"	7 88
Howard Field,	"	7 88
Lucien Moody,	"	7 88
Bardwell Bros.,	"	9 62
E. E. Sanderson,	"	3 50
Fay B. Bardwell,	"	13 00
Lucien Moody,	"	4 03
Warren P. Crafts,	"	5 75
John Brunkard,	"	2 92
Raymond Dickinson,	"	5 75
E. E. Sanderson,	"	1 75
Seth B. Crafts,	"	9 37
R. Mosher Swift,	"	8 55
John C. Hayes,	"	2 00
John Brunkard,	"	3 20
Lucien Moody,	"	1 75
John Moore,	"	4 88
Geo. W. Moore,	"	1 60
Fred Bardwell,	"	1 75
Fay B. Bardwell,	"	6 00
Bardwell Bros.,	"	16 00
Seth B. Crafts,	"	30 00
S. C. Kingsley,	"	2 88
A. H. Beers,	"	4 30
Seth B. Crafts,	"	17 70
Waite & Stripp,	"	22 68
Fay B. Bardwell,	"	33 60
Leroy Lawrence,	"	11 20
Henry Sharp,	"	23 00
W. L. Dickinson	"	5 75
L. C. Sanderson,	"	17 58
Lucius Allis,	"	10 38
James Nolan,	"	5 72

John Moore,	highway department	\$41 13
William Koncal,	"	74 51
Lucien Moody,	"	15 57
Patrick Dalton,	"	28 00
Fred W. Bardwell,	"	16 00
E. E. Sanderson,	"	23 10
Bardwell Bros.,	"	65 50
Morris Powers,	"	7 50
R. Mosher Swift,	"	6 89
John Duda,	"	1 75
John Brunkard,	"	5 75
Chas. J. Smith,	"	5 25
John Kennedy,	"	9 25
John C. Hayes,	"	4 00
Daniel Hayes,	"	1 75
James Knowlton,	"	3 50
J. E. Waite,	"	1 75
Geo. W. Moore,	"	40 75
Chas. S. Sanderson	"	2 63
Stephen Stefance,	"	8 75
V. D. Bardwell,	"	81 05
Fred B. Bardwell,	"	12 25
Geo. Bartlett,	"	2 00
Henry W. Bardwell,	"	22 00
Lucius H. Allis,	"	42 45
George W. Moore,	"	9 75
Stephen Stefance,	"	1 40
E. E. Sanderson,	"	5 25
Bardwell Bros.,	"	2 00
Fay B. Bardwell,	"	3 00
John Moore,	"	8 00
Wells T. Smith, hardening,		4 05
John Brunkard	highway work	7 00
Daniel Hayes,	"	5 25
Morris Powers	"	14 51
Fred Rhoad,	"	1 75
R. Mosher Swift,	"	20 18
John Brunkard,	"	16 60

Joseph Phelix,	highway work,	\$ 4 00
John C. Hayes,	"	6 63
Joseph Pologaski,	"	5 25
Frank O. Scott,	filling in Spruce Hill road	7 50
Warren P. Crafts,	" "	6 62
Raymond Dickinson,	" "	6 00
Flavin Bros.,	" "	15 00
Flyn Bros.	" "	4 63
R. Mosher Swift,	" "	3 00
Lyman A. Crafts, getting out stone, filling Spruce Hill		48 25
Seth B. Crafts,	" "	62 88
Geo. W. Allis,	" "	8 75
John F. Moore,	" "	48 00
Bardwell Bros.,	" "	7 60
E. E. Sanderson,	" "	8 75
Patrick Dalton,	" "	3 33
Geo. W. Moore,	" "	100 32
Fay B. Bardwell, getting out stone		17 75
Fay B. Bardwell, use of boiler,		12 00
Edward Allis, hanging lanterns,		4 50
James A. Elder, highway work,		1 75
Seth B. Crafts,	"	12 05
A. L. Adkins,	" and sharpening drills	17 50
Raymond Dickinson,	"	5 00
Homer Graves	"	12 00
A. J. Codding,	"	10 00
L. C. Sanderson	"	12 80
Henry Sharp,	"	8 55
Fred W. Bardwell,	"	4 00
Chas. S. Sanderson,	"	5 25
Lucien Moody,	"	1 75
William Stripp,	"	88
Elisha Grover,	"	5 25
Leroy Lawrence,	"	7 17
R. Mosher Swift,	"	5 10
Henry W. Bardwell,	"	9 00
Bardwell Bros.,	"	16 40
Fay B. Bardwell,	"	11 00

Foster Bros.,	Dynamite	\$18 00
Seth B. Crafts,	Highway Work	36 37
Henry Sharp,	"	13 32
J. E. Waite,	"	7 22
E. E. Sanderson,	"	5 86
Willie Munson,	"	3 33
C. S. Sanderson,	"	1 57
Watson Bardwell,	"	3 33
A. J. Codding,	"	8 60
Waite & Stripp,	"	20 49
L. C. Sanderson,	"	24 99
Hiram Bardwell,	"	90
Horace Bardwell,	"	88
L. F. Graves,	"	9 75
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		\$2,147 55

## SIDEWALKS

Edgar Williams,	work on Center walks,	\$ 7 00
Fred L. Graves,	"	20 00
Frank O. Scott,	"	31 63
Flavin Bros.	"	37 75
Warren P. Crafts,	"	21 55
Lyman A. Crafts,	"	40 75
Chas. H. Waite,	"	13 70
W. L. Dickinson,	"	4 00
A. H. Beers,	"	2 00
L. F. Graves,	"	16 37
Seth B. Crafts.	"	7 74
John Smith,	East Whately walks	2 87
John Brunkard,	"	9 75
John C. Hayes,	"	9 00
Chas. H. Pease,	"	8 00
Morris Powers,	"	18 75
Joseph Phelix,	"	9 00
Michael Duda,	"	13 13

John Duda,	East Whately walks,	\$ 4 37
Daniel Hayes,	"	5 32
R. Mosher Swift,	"	6 00
W. T. Heafey,	"	12 40
T. J. Heafey	"	17 93
Thomas Brennan,	"	8 00
John Heafey,	"	12 40
Israel Smith,	"	8 00
Fred Kidder, gravel		8 10
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		\$355 51

## TOWN HALL REPAIRS.

Irving Allis, slate	\$189 20
F. A. Crafts, freight,	11 60
Seth B. Crafts, labor	8 85
Irving Allis, "	52 55
Elmer E. Hubbard, "	23 05
L. F. Crafts,	29 03
Irving Allis,	29 72
Seth B. Crafts,	6 96
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	\$351 06

## POOR

Support of Dudley Belden,	\$139 73
" Edgar Belden, to be reimbursed by State	71 04
" Catherine and Clara Twomey	96 00
" Wagner family,	5 25
Aid rendered and burial of Joseph Podlesney,	
to be reimbursed by State,	22 00
Aid rendered Mrs. Elizabeth Jewett,	6 00
Medical attendance for John Curtis,	1 50
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	\$341 52

## SCHOOL, SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND REPAIRS.

Orders have been drawn amounting to \$3,932.92  
See School Committee's report for detailed statement.

## CEMETERIES.

Cemetery Commissioner's orders drawn amount to \$92 87  
See Cemetery Commissioner's report.

The income of the following gifts are to be used for Cemetery purposes.

Miss Betsy Waite \$100.00 deposited in the Easthampton Savings Bank, the income to be used in caring for her father's lots in the West Whately Cemetery.

Miss Mary Dickinson, \$1000.00 secured by mortgage, after caring for the three Dickinson lots in the Center Cemetery in a becoming manner, the remaining unused income to be used in general improvement of the Center Cemetery.

LIBRARY

Library orders have been drawn amounting to \$136 80  
See Library Trustee's report.

## STATE AID (Chap. 381, Acts of 1904)

Edward E. Sanderson,	\$48 00
Lucien Moody,	48 00
Chas. E. Jewett,	72 00
Ezra Gerran,	72 00
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	\$240 00

## TOWN OFFICERS.

## SELECTMEN

Seth B. Crafts,	\$100 00
R. Mosher Swift,	50 00
Fay B. Bardwell,	50 00
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	\$200 00

## ASSESSORS

Wm. H. Adkins,	\$37 50
Chas. H. Field,	22 50
J. Arthur Wood,	32 50

## COLLECTOR

William H. Adkins, Collector of Taxes, 1907,	\$100 00
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## TREASURER

Clifford L. Crafts,	\$50 00
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## AUDITOR

Lyman A. Crafts,	\$10 00
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## ELECTION OFFICERS

## REGISTRARS

Seth B. Crafts,	\$15 00
Fay B. Bardwell,	15 00
Herbert E. Roote,	15 00
R. Mosher Swift,	15 00

## BALLOT CLERKS

Wm. H. Adkins,	\$2 50
Michael Flavin,	2 50

## ABATEMENTS.

## Taxes 1907.

Jeremiah Heafey	\$2 00
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## Taxes, 1908.

George Eiatgides,	\$2 00
Mike Elander,	2 00
George Vaxrodg,	2 00
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	\$6 00

## STATE HIGHWAY REPAIRS

C. L. Crafts,	\$106 20
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## DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

Wm. H. Adkins, discount on taxes, paid on or before Sept: 1, 1908,	\$162 58
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## STATE TAX.

Arthur B. Chapin,	\$770 00
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## COUNTY TAX.

E. A. Newcomb,	\$913 27
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## TEMPORARY LOANS.

Warren P. Crafts,	\$500 00
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## INTEREST.

Warren P. Crafts, interest on temporary loan, Conway Savings Bank, “ “ “ “	\$ 6 25 16 67
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	\$22 92
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LIQUOR LICENSE.

Arthur B. Chapin, \$62 50

## RECAPITULATION OF ORDERS DRAWN.

State Aid,	\$240 00
Poor,	341 52
Old Bills,	15 32
Contingent,	574 20
Cemetery,	92 87
Highways,	2,147 55
Bridges and Culverts,	164 93
Library,	136 80
Town Hall Repairs,	351 06
Sidewalks,	355 51
Town Officers,	452 50
Election Officers.	65 00
State Highway Repairs,	106 20
Discount on Taxes,	162 58
State Tax,	770 00
County Tax,	913 27
Temporary Loans,	500 00
Interest,	22 92
Liquor License,	62 50
Abatements,	8 00
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	\$7,482 73

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN, FEB. 12, 1909.

Orders Outstanding unpaid 1907-08,	\$ 5 00
Selectmen's Orders outstanding unpaid, 1908-09,	38 47
Schools " " " "	678 22
Note, Conway Savings Bank, " "	1000 00
Int on Note, Conway Savings Bank to Feb. 1, 1909,	16 67
 Total,	 \$1,738 36

## ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Due from State for State Aid rendered,	\$300 00
"      for Aid rendered State Poor,	179 40
Uncollected Taxes, 1907,	10 85
"      1908,	574 97
Cash in Treasury,	2,658 09
Town Lands, 68 1-2 acres,	300 00
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Total,	\$4,023 31

## TOWN PROPERTY.

Town Hall,	\$4,000 00
Derrick, two Road Machines,	300 00
Five School Houses,	2,000 00
Safe, Furniture in Hall and Library,	400 00
Storehouse,	50 00
Library and Supreme Court Decisions,	800 00
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	\$7,550 00

R. MOSHER SWIFT, } Selectmen  
FAY B. BARDWELL, } of Whately.

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## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have this day compared the Accounts of the Treasurer with the Accounts of the Selectmen, School Committee and Tax Collector and find as follows:

Total of all Orders drawn by Selectmen,	\$7,482 73
"      "      "      "      School Committee,	3,932 92
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Total of all Orders drawn on Treasurer,	\$11,415 65

The Treasurer has paid :

On Selectmen's Orders,	\$7,444 26
On School Committee Orders,	3,254 70
Old Outstanding Orders,	928 61
 Total Payments,	 \$11,627 57

The Treasurer has received, \$14,285 66

There is in the hands of C. L. Crafts, Treasurer,  
and due the Town, \$2,658 09

There is outstanding orders of 1907-08,	\$ 5 00
" " " 1908-9, Selectmen	38 47
" " " " Schools,	678 22
 Total outstanding orders,	 \$721 69

Uncollected Taxes of 1907,	\$ 10 85
" " 1908,	574 97
 Total,	 \$585 82

LYMAN A. CRAFTS, Auditor.

Whately, Mass., Feb. 12, 1909.

## Cemetery Commissioners' Report

Report of Cemetery Commissioners for 1908:

There has been expended on North West Cemetery,	\$18 27
"    "    "    "    East	"    10 00
"    "    "    "    Center	"

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Paid C. L. Crafts, Treas., for lot,	\$10 00
G. W. S. Howe, for cleaning monuments on Dickinson lots,	9 00
Horace Bardwell, for mowing,	6 00
For paint on fence,	14 25
For work and repairs on fence,	10 85
J. A. Elder, for work on grounds,	5 50
For work and paint on hearse house,	6 00
For care of Dickinson lots,	10 00
For setting markers,	.3 00
	_____
	\$74 60
	_____
	\$102 87

Cr.

Received for burial lot,	\$10 00
"    Cash from the town,	64 60
	_____
	\$74 60

The report shows we have expended \$102.87, which is \$2.13 less than the appropriation. We ask the town to appropriate \$70.00 for the year 1909, as the hearse house needs shingling or slating.

L. F. CRAFTS,  
LUCIUS MOODY,  
WELLS T. SMITH.

## Report of Library Trustees

Appropriation,	\$75 00
Dog Fund,	51 40
Fines,	3 70
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	\$130 10
Brigman & Lyman,	\$76 50
Librarian,	40 00
Cleaning Library,	12 25
Books repaired,	5 50
Express on Books,	55
	—————
	\$134 80
Deficit	\$4 70

The library has been well patronized the past year. Our source of gratification was the visit of Miss Ida Farrar of the Springfield librarp who declares we have one of the best assortment of books she has found in any small town. It will be seen our appropriation was smaller this year, a mistake we believe, when it is also seen that the return from the dog fund is also less. There are several volumes that need rebinding, and should our income be no larger than the last year, we cannot hope to do this and add many new books.

CLIFFORD A. WHITE,  
FRED B. BARDWELL,  
CHAS. H. PEASE,

*Trustees.*

## Report of School Committee

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We submit the following report:

The expenses of the schools have not varied much from those of years past. With the exception of the painting and papering of the school rooms, we have made no decided improvements during the past year.

We suggest that the Town build a suitable three room building in the center to accommodate all the children from the North Center and the South Center, also the seventh, eighth and ninth grades from East Whately, and possibly some of the children in the lower grades who are now being carried to the South East school. This will reduce the number of pupils in the South East school, so there would be plenty of room for the remaining pupils, and one teacher could easily handle them.

We also suggest that the South West school house be taken down and moved to a central location, so that the pupils in the North West and South West districts can be equally accommodated.

By this arrangement, sufficient room and better advantages can be given to every pupil and a less amount of money would be required for transportation.

We recommend the following appropriations:

Schools,	\$2000 00
Superintendent,	125 00

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. WOOD,  
ARTHUR H. BEERS,  
LESLIE E. WAITE,  
*School Committee.*

## RESOURCES

Unexpended balance from 1907,	\$ 681 02
Appropriation'	2125 00
High School tuitions,	345 00
Mass. school fund,	1075 04
Tuition of children,	148 00
Superintendent's salary,	144 87
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	\$4518 93

## EXPENDITURES

Teachers,	\$2010 00
Supplies,	201 16
Fuel,	98 75
Care of school houses,	146 47
Tustions'	374 00
Transportation,	678 00
Superintendent,	183 44
Medical inspection,	5 00
Truant officer,	15 00
School Committee,	100 00
Miscellaneous,	121 10
Balance,	586 01
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	\$4518 93

## TEACHERS

Jennie M. Day, South East	\$372 00
Elsa Anderson, "	96 00
Gertrude Lovett, "	204 00
Carrie Osgood, South Center,	384 00
Mary Underwood, "	96 00
Bessie Merfield, "	204 00
Bertha Hodges, West,	384 00
Mrs. Belle Bullis, Music,	180 00
Ruth Jackson, Drawing,	30 00
Lucile Gravestein, Drawing,	60 00
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	\$2010 00

## SUPPLIES

American Book Co., books,	\$ 12 69
J. L. Hammet Co., supplies,	8 55
E. E. Babb & Co., supplies and books,	153 61
Ginn & Co., books,	11 25
D. C. Heath Co., books,	12 01
C. L. Crafts, supplies,	1 50
A. H. Beers, "	1 55
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	\$201 16

## FUEL

J. E. Robertson, wood,	\$ 8 75
F. O. Scott, " "	46 00
W. J. Ryan, " "	16 50
C. A. Coville, " "	3 75
Treasurer of Town of Whately,	16 00
W. G. Stripp, drawing wood,	2 50
L. Moody, sawing wood,	2 50
A. H. Beers, kindlings,	2 75
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	\$98 75

## CARE OF SCHOOL HOUSES

John Farok, janitor,	\$15 50
Harland Beers, "	18 00
J. M. Day, "	1 00
Hazel Field, "	15 00
Mrs. H. G. Damon, cleaning,	3 50
Mrs. G. Steiner, "	6 00
Hazel Field, "	1 00
Mrs. C. Sanderson, "	1 25
Burke & Black, cleaning stoves and pipes,	5 30
F. S. Bardwell, labor,	75
L. F. Crafts, painting, labor, etc.,	19 55
White & Haskins, painting, labor, etc.,	34 32
C. W. Field, labor,	12 25
L. E. Waite, labor and material,	13 05
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	\$146 47

## TRANSPORTATION

S. A. Wood,	1908-1909,	\$216 00
A. P. Crafts,	"	216 00
L. E. Waite,	"	216 00
I. Allis,	"	30 00
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		\$678 00

## TUITIONS

H. E. Richardson, Greenfield,	\$ 15 00
George Clark, Northampton	250 00
C. A. Frazer, Springfield,	60 00
Town of Deerfield,	49 00
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	\$374 00

## SUPERINTENDENT

Myron J. Willson,	\$183 44
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## MEDICAL INSPECTION

Dr. C. A. White,	\$5 00
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## TRUANT OFFICER

Dr. C. A. White,	\$15 00
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## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

J. A. Wood,	\$50 00
A. H. Beers,	25 00
L. E. Waite,	25 00
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	\$100 00

## MISCELLANEOUS

M. J. Willson, expense securing teachers,	\$ 3.25
J. A. Wood, express and freight,	1 36
L. F. Crafts,	3 60
J. M. Pierce, paint and paper,	12 61
O. Hager, shingles,	24 74
O. E. Morton, cupboard,	7 34
J. A. Wood, window catches, etc.,	1 70
C. L. Crafts, merchandise,	7 50
N. S. Black, stove, etc.,	20 20
Mrs. J. A. Wood, school census,	7 50
E. A. Newcomb & Son, paint,	8 35
C. N. Fitts, furniture,	17 10
Howes & Roote, merchandise,	5 85
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	\$121 10

## Superintendent's Report.

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*To the School Committee of Whately:*

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit to you and to the people of Whately my sixth annual report as Superintendent of your schools.

During the past year it has been our aim, in so far as was in our power, to foster and encourage that which was good in our schools and to eliminate the poor and ineffective.

No course of action has been decided upon, and no money expended without first determining whether or not the education of the children would best be carried on by that means.

In this connection it is pertinent to ask just what the school owes to the child. In the first place it must protect the physical well being of the child—an abundant supply of fresh air at the proper temperature should be supplied to every school room. It is not unusual to have a room become disorderly and ungovernable simply because the children were physically unable to be "good." There was not enough oxygen in the air to keep pure blood in their bodies, and inattention, mischief and insubordination was the natural result. If active, growing children are to be kept in our school rooms for five hours each day, it is the sacred duty of the public to provide the best system of heating and ventilation obtainable. Our school rooms at present cannot be properly heated or ventilated and it is to be hoped that before another year this condition of things will be remedied.

If "centralization" is not to be had, then some other way of meeting the needs of the pupils should be found, but whatever plan is finally adopted, let it be something in which the rights of the school children are respected and something upon which all can agree.

In the second place, the school must provide such training as will tend to produce men and women of use to the community. To do this the moral element in education must not be lost sight of. The intellectual, important as it is and must be, is of importance only as it helps develop the moral nature. By this I do not mean that the strictly intellectual work of the schools should be neglected. On the contrary, thorough accurate work must be insisted upon since the habit of doing work carelessly or incompletely will injure a boy through his whole life. Not only will it injure him in any business he may undertake, but it will bind in him a carelessness in regard to moral questions that he may never overcome.

This brings us to a consideration of what is expected of our teachers. It is not enough that they be absolutely loyal as well as faithful, conscientious and hard working, commendable as are these characteristics, more important than all else, the teacher must have the tact, the sympathetic insight, the love and the genuine interest necessary to win and hold our boys and girls. Scholarship is desirable, but character and common sense and the gift of making friends with boys is indispensable.

By way of illustration let me indicate what some of the best teachers are doing. Early in the year before any unpleasantness has had time to occur they try to create the most friendly relations with the homes from which their pupils come. The first thing a teacher must do is to become acquainted with the individuals of her class, and to do this she must know the homes from which they come. The teacher who goes in a friendly spirit to the homes of her pupils with some word of commendation or encouragement predisposes in her favor both parents and pupils, and takes a long step toward discovering criticism and avoiding misunderstandings. The teacher who cannot or will not do this may not be a failure but she certainly will fail to attain the degree of success she might.

Again the wise teacher wins the confidence of her pupils by convincing them of her genuine interest in their individual welfare, her fairness and her good judgement. Under no cir-

cumstances will she destroy the self respect of any pupil, however bad, knowing that this is her strongest ally upon which she can depend in developing character.

Teachers of training, character and genuine human instinct should be sought and, when secured, should be offered every possible inducement to remain. The additional cost of a good teacher ought not to a consideration since the money paid a poor teacher is practically wasted, in some cases worse than wasted because of the injury done to the intellects and characters of the pupils.

During the last few years the salaries of teachers in this town have been advanced somewhat but it is doubtful if this increase more than balances the increased cost of board and other living expenses. Doubtless it will be necessary to continue to advance the salaries of those teachers who are doing exceptionally good work for, unless this is done, the neighboring towns with higher salaries secure them. To keep good teachers in our schools their salaries must advance as their usefulness increases.

The matter of school room decoration is one that is receiving more attention year by year. During the school year children spend more of their waking hours in the school room than in any other place and the effect of dismal or cheerful surroundings is much greater on them than on adults. These things influence their attitude toward school work to a much greater extent than is generally realized. Some attempt has been made to render the interior of our school rooms attractive although they do not lend themselves readily to decoration. They are still sadly lacking in good pictures while in some cases there are too many poor ones. Then, too, the exteriors of the buildings, particularly the one in the center and the one in the East part of the town, are far from attractive. They were planned before people began to realize the effect of environment on character. The grounds surrounding all the buildings are unsightly and, if school must be maintained in them even for one more year, I would suggest that steps be taken to improve their appearance.

The subject of vaccination is one that should also receive

your attention during the coming year. Only a small percentage of the pupils in town have been vaccinated and, with our large alien population among whom it is difficult to enforce quarantine restrictions, the danger of an epidemic of small pox is very real. Even a few cases of this disease, if traceable to the schools, would give grounds for serious criticism.

For the information of parents the following communication has been prepared and will be sent before the spring vacation to every family in town in which there are children attending school :

South Deerfield, Mass., Feb. 1, 1909.

Dear Sir (or Madam)

Your attention is respectfully called to the State Law in regard to vaccination as printed on the back of this card.

We do not wish to deprive any pupil of the opportunity to attend school but, it is earnestly urged that you give this matter your attention at the earliest possible date, not only for the protection of your own children but also for the protection of others in the community.

Yours very truly,

MYRON J. WILLSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

#### VACCINATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.

[Chap. 44, Sec. 6, as amended by Chap. 371, Acts of 1906, and Chap. 215. Acts of 1907.]

“A child who has not been vaccinated shall not be admitted to a public school except upon presentation of a certificate granted for cause stated therein, signed by a regular practicing physician that he is not a fit subject for vaccination.”

I would call your attention to the reports of the Supervisor of Music and Drawing and also to the report of the

Medical Inspector which follows this report. The usual statistics in regard to attendance are also given. These show there was an increase in average membership last year over the previous year of about 14 per cent. and an increase of about 18 per cent in average attendance.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the members of the school committee and the parents for their support and for the interest they have shown during the last year. I would also express to the teachers my appreciation of their unfailing loyalty and their willingness to act upon suggestions given them.

On behalf of the teachers, and for myself, I would cordially invite all who are interested in the welfare of the pupils in town to visit the schools as frequently as possible and see for themselves the work that is being done.

Respectfully submitted,

MYRON J. WILLSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

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#### REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

*To Mr. M. J. Willson, Superintendent of Schools :*

Dear Sir;—Music has been carried on this year with practically the same results as heretofore.

Individual singing holds as usual a prominent position. A gain has been made in the amount of technical work done and more written lessons have been given.

For drill the schools have been divided into sections, three or even more if necessary, this being made possible by the aid of the assistant teacher. In this way a more uniform progress is made, each section getting its share of attention.

The children all sing together their songs, the upper grades taking the lower parts, and the lower grades the soprano, the very youngest ones learning the songs by rote.

It is always a pleasure to meet, in my visits to the schools parents or friends of the pupils, who have come to see for themselves what is being accomplished.

Yours truly,

BELLE BULLIS,

Supervisor of Music.

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#### REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

*To Mr. M. J. Willson, Superintendent of Schools:*

Dear Sir:—It is impossible in the district schools to give in a single year work that is best adapted to individual grades. I have made it my object to take up especially such branches as seem essential, but in which the schools may be least proficient. I have also tried to vary the program by presenting in new terms, yet comprehensive, some of the fundamental principles which of necessity are repeated from year to year.

The plan seems to have been successful as the results are satisfactory, and interest on the part of the children is not lacking.

Thanks are due the teachers who have so heartily given their co-operation and to the Superintendent whose support I greatly acknowledge.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCILE GRAVESTEIN,

Supervisor of Drawing,

## REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINER.

*To Mr. M. J. Willson, Superintendent of Schools :*

During the last year it has been my duty as examiner to visit each school at least once and my work has been largely on the same plan as the previous year, leaving the teachers to test the hearing and sight of the pupils.

Some improvement has been shown in respect to the care given by parents to their childrens' heads, yet there is sufficient reason for continued vigilance in this regard. I feel that it is necessary to call attention to personal cleanliness in the care of hands and faces especially in the East Whately school. I have seen no improvement in this respect; nor has there been any improvement in the schools and their surroundings. What I reported a year ago is still true today. In the school in the east part of the Town, 10 children are seated in a single small room with but one door and one window in a space so small that three persons could not be properly accomodated.

In December an epidemic of scarlet fever broke out among children of the Center school making it necessary to close the school a week earlier for the Christmas vacation that it might be thoroughly fumigated. Right here I think is an appropriate time to urge the advisability of setting aside or erecting a suitable building for an isolation hospital that would be available for such epidemics. This could be done without the outlay of much money and a suitable rental could be charged of the parents whose children were sick who would find it a great convenience and a safeguard against the continual exposure to other members of the family.

In closing I wish to state your school buildings are not adequate to the demands made upon them and the time has come when a modern building should be erected or the old ones improved.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. WHITE, M. D.

ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING IN  
JUNE, 1908.

Teacher	Grades	School	Number of Weeks		Total Enrollment	Number under 5	Number over 15	Number Between 7 and 14	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percentage of Attendance	Days of Absence	Cases of Tardiness	No. Not Absent or Tardy
			36	48										
Carry A. Osgood Ma'y A. Underwo'd	4-9 1-3	Center	36	48	0	2	33	40	35.6	89	818	44	0	
Jennie M. Day Elsa Anderson	4-9 1-3	East	36	43	0	1	33	35.7	32.2	90	685	140	3	
Bertha M. Hodges	1-9	West	36	12	0	0	12	14.7	14.4	98	59	10	1	
Totals,			103	0	3	78	90.4	82.2	91	1562	194	4		

The following pupils were not absent or tardy during the year:

Alta Morton

Blanche Wood

\*Helen Wood

Harvey Moore

\*Not absent or tardy during 3 1-2 years or since entering school.

## ATTENDANCE FOR THE CURRENT YEAR

Teachers	Grades	School	Number of weeks	Total enrollment		Number under 5	Number over 15	Members between 7 and 14	Average membership	Percentage of attendance	Days of absence	Cases of tardiness	Number not absent or tardy
Carrie B. Osgood Merifield	4-9 1-3	Center,	19	41	0	1	32	38.2	89	349	17	2	
Jennie M. Day Gertrude Lovett	4-9 1-3	East,	20	37	0	0	33	31.2	91	285	43	3	
Bertha M. Hodges	1-9	West,	20	20	0	2	14	18.5	98	40	0	6	
				98	0	3	79	83.8	91.8	674	60	11	

## RESULTS OF SIGHT AND HEARING TESTS

1. Number of pupils enrolled in school, 98,
2. Number of pupils found defective in eyesight, 15.
3. Number of pupils found defective in hearing, 8.
4. Number of parents or guardians notified, 16.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Fall term. Sept. 6, 1909—Nov. 26, 1909, 12 weeks.

Winter term. Nov. 29, 1909—March 4, 1910, 12 weeks.

Spring term. March 28, 1910—June 17, 1910, 12 weeks,  
Christmas vacation, Dec. 18—Jan. 3.





